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Assignors, have invented a new and useful

MARKING METHOD FOR SEMICONDUCTOR WAFER ,
for which an application for United States Letters Patent was executed by them on
or about the same date as this Assignment; and

WHEREAS, Assignors believe themselves to be the original, first and
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Patent; and

WHEREAS, KOMATSU DENSHI KINZOKU KABUSHIKI KAISHA ,
a Japanese corporation, having a place of business at
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